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Memphis Tigers hang on by paws to defeat Rice U.



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MEMPHIS, November 9, 2024- The Memphis Tigers returned home to Simmons Bank Liberty Stadium on Saturday November 9 to take on conference foe Rice Owls. After a disappointing loss to UTSA the week before, the Tigers held on for a much needed 27-20 victory.

The start of the game had Tiger fans a bit nervous as the offense sputtered. The Tigers failed to score in the 1st quarter. Rice in turn kicked 2 field goals to make the score 6-0 Rice after one.

The Tigers finally got on the

board in the middle of the 2nd quarter when quarterback Seth Henigan hit Brandon Doyle on a 9-yard touchdown pass. The Tigers struck again in the 2nd on a 10-yard touchdown run from Mario Anderson. Rice responded with a touchdown of their own when E J Sykes hit Matt Sykes on a 27-yard touchdown pass. The Tigers tacked on a field goal to make the score 17-13 going into the half.

After a scoreless 3rd quarter from both teams, the Tigers added a touchdown and a field goal in the 4th quarter. Rice scored a late 4th quarter touchdown to bring the score to 27-20. Time ran out on the Owls' comeback attempt and the Tigers held on for the win.

The Tigers have 2 more games left in the season. They will face rival UAB next week at home. They then go to New Orleans to play number 25 Tulane. Though they are all but out of any chance to play in the AAC Championship, they can still salvage another 10-win season. That would be a milestone that has happened very few times in the program's history.

NFL announces the FedEx Air and Ground Players of Week



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N.Y., N.Y. Nov. 11, 2024- The NFL announced that the nominees for FedEx Air & Ground NFL Players of the Week for Week 10 are:

Cincinnati quarterback JOE BURROW completed 34 of 56 attempts (60.7 percent) for 428 yards and four touchdowns for a 108.3 passer rating.

Baltimore quarterback LAMAR JACKSON completed 25 of 33 attempts (75.8 percent) for 290 yards and four touchdowns for a 141.4 passer rating.

Arizona quarterback KYLER MURRAY completed 22 of 24 attempts (91.7 percent) for 266 yards and one touchdown for a 126.7 passer rating. He also rushed for 21 yards and two touchdowns.

Cincinnati wide receiver JAMARR CHASE recorded 11

receiving) and one rushing touchdown.

Atlanta running back BIJAN ROBINSON recorded 144 scrimmage yards (116 rushing, 28 receiving) and two rushing touchdowns.

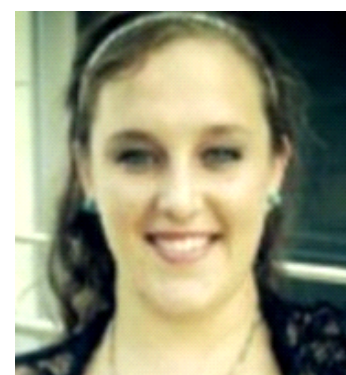
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Over the course of the entire season, select HBCUs will receive grants totaling more than \$100,000 to support needs-based scholarships through the 2025-26 school year.

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TN Titans to host Minnesota Vikings in Nissan Stadium



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Kickoff at Nissan Stadium (capacity 69,143) is scheduled for noon CST on Sunday, Nov. 17.

NASHVILLE, Tenn- The Vikings are scheduled to make their third all-time appearance at Nissan Stadium and their first since 2016. The most recent Titans-Vikings matchup in the regular season was at Minnesota on Sept. 27, 2020. In a game played without fans in attendance due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Titans edged the hosts by a final score of 31-30. This week's festivities also will include the Titans' annual Salute to Service, a league-wide initiative to show gratitude for the sacrifices made by the military community.

This week's game will be regionally televised on CBS, including Nashville affiliate WTVF NewsChannel 5, as well as on Paramount+ in the Nashville market. The broadcast team includes play-by-play announcer Spero Dedes, analyst Adam Archuleta and reporter Aditi Kink-

habwala. Fans in Nashville can stream live Titans games on mobile devices with NFL+, which offers access to local games and all primetime games on phones and tablets. Out of market, fans can watch every Sunday afternoon game with Sunday Ticket. More information on ways to watch NFL games can be found at nfl.com/ways-to-watch.

The Titans Radio Network and Nashville flagship 104.5 The Zone carry all Titans action across the Mid-South with the "Voice of the Titans" Mike Keith, analyst Dave McGinnis, sideline reporter Ramon Foster, executive producer/gameday host Rhett Bryan and co-host Amie Wells. LAST WEEK AT THE L.A. CHARGERS

The Titans traveled to face the Los Angeles Chargers in Week 10 and fell by a final score of 27-17. The Titans held a 7-6 lead late in the first half, but the Chargers scored touchdowns on three of their next four drives to win the game.

Quarterback Will Levis was back in the starting lineup for the first time since Oct. 13 after nursing a right shoulder injury. His statistics at Los Angeles included 175 yards and two touchdowns on 18-of-23 passing. He established a career high with a 78.3 completion percentage, and his 127.4 passer rating ranked second in his career in a game with at least 20 attempts.

Both of Levis' touchdown passes went to wide receiver Calvin Ridley. They connected on a 41-yard touchdown on the offense's first drive of the game, and they added a 15-yarder in the fourth quarter. It was Ridley's seventh career game with two or more touchdown receptions and his first such game since joining the Titans as an unrestricted free agent during the offseason.

In the past four weeks, Ridley has 23 receptions for 342 yards. His yardage total ranks fourth in the NFL during that span. Through 10 weeks of the NFL season, the Titans rank first in total defense, allowing 273.6 yards per game. The Titans also rank first in passing defense, yielding only 156.7 yards per contest through the air.

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Scott solidifies leadership team with two new hires and one staff promotion

MEMPHIS, Tenn., November 11, 2024- Senior Vice President and Director of Athletics Ed Scott continued the restructuring of his leadership team with the announcement of two new hires and one promotion. Scott welcomes Cooper Jones and Katherine Sulentic to the University

will join the department as the Deputy Athletics Director of Regulatory Affairs. Wilson will now serve as the Assistant Director of Athletics for Finance and Special Assistant to the Director of Athletics.

"As we continue to prepare for the constantly evolving landscape of college athletics, adding two dynamic leaders with diverse skill sets and a wealth of experience has solidified our executive team," said Senior Vice President and Director of Athletics, Ed Scott, Ph.D. "Cooper and Kathy are high-caliber administrators that are committed to the student-athlete experience and will be influential in guiding Memphis athletics into the future," Scott said. "Jailyn has proven to be a valuable member of the department and will be a tremendous asset in her new role."

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of Memphis as the newest additions to the executive staff while elevating Jailyn Wilson.

Jones has been named Deputy Athletics Director and Chief Revenue Office while Sulentic

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